

**COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF
IN 12 2003 TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Small Entity)**

~~Docket No.~~
~~Lee 109~~

In Re Application Of: Hong et al.

Serial No.	Filing Date	Examiner	Group Art Unit
09/512,019	February 24, 2000	R. Hutson	1652

Invention: DNA Polymerase Having Ability to Reduce Innate Selective Discrimination Against Fluorescent Dye-Labeled Dideoxynucleotides

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This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of February 11, 2003 in the above-identified application.

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

One month Two months Three months Four months Five months

from: May 11, 2003 Date until: June 11, 2003 Date

A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27:

- is enclosed.
 has already been filed in this application.

The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	19 -	20 =	0	x \$9.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	5 -	5 =	0	x \$42.00	\$0.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$0.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$55.00
TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME					\$55.00

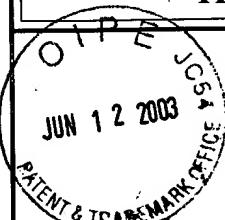
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- Please charge Deposit Account No. in the amount of \$55.00
- The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500867
- Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
- Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.
- If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 500867

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Dated: June 11, 2003

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In re PATENT APPLICATION of Hong et al.

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated February 11, 2003 in connection with the above-referenced patent application, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, lines 1-6, first paragraph on the page, please amend as follows:

This application is a divisional application of Serial No. 09/157,397 (now U.S. Patent 6,165,765), filed September 21, 1998, which is a continuation-in-part application of Serial No. 08/544,643 (now U.S. Patent 5,747,298), filed October 18, 1995, and 08/642,684 (now U.S. Patent 5,834,253), filed May 3, 1996, and the entire contents of both applications are incorporated herein by reference.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 9, 29, 39 and 40 as follows.